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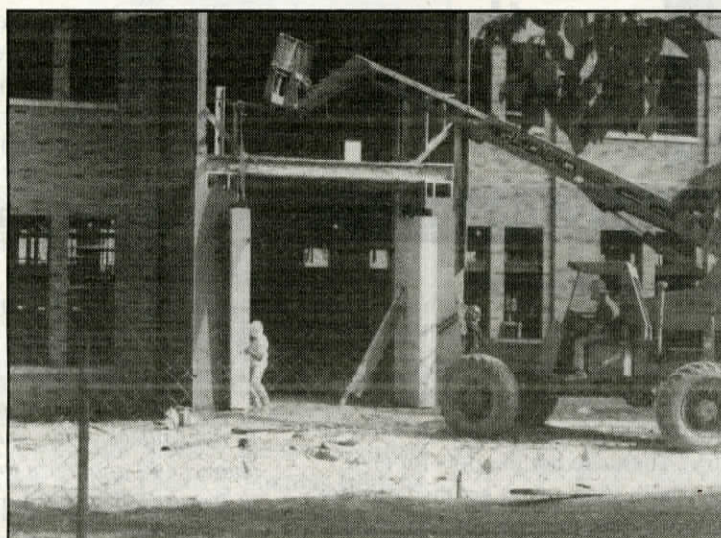
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The Lady Lions Tennis Team finished second in the TVAC tournament this spring — the best ever for a Bryan tennis team.

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## Progress continues on building

### From the desk of Tom Kemner

Since the last issue of Bryan Life, the progress on construction of the new Student Life Center is unmistakable. When I last sat down to write you, we had just placed the air conditioning unit atop the steel building and were awaiting the delivery of bricks.

As you can see in the photograph, the bricks are now mostly in place. The growth in the building has been readily apparent from day to day. Even the season's unusually high rainfall has not slowed progress significantly.

In a matter of weeks, I will have completed my first year as vice president. The past year has been tremendously gratifying. I have witnessed humble, sacrificial stewardship expressed in gifts of every size. I have enjoyed meeting alums in their homes and businesses.

I have learned that alumni have many motives for supporting their alma mater. Sometimes it's nostalgia. Sometimes it's a commitment to the distinctives of Bryan experienced first-hand. In other cases alums feel they are investing in the very "stock" of their academic credentials.

Other donors, those who never attended Bryan, intrigue me all the more. They give simply because they embrace Bryan's unique mission.

You might recall that the New Century Campaign emerged from an extensive strategic planning process that was directed by a cross-section of students, faculty, community leaders, administrators and trustees. That process prioritized steps to achieve program and facility goals—not simply overcoming previous inadequacies, but taking the educational ministry of Bryan to an entirely new level. A detailed account of this process would only serve to increase your trust. Hopefully, the evidence of those plans coming to fruition will become increasingly evident to you.

Please continue to pray for the progress of Bryan. We feel that we have been led to this point through our Lord's direction. New buildings are not intended as monuments to our vanity. In fact, Dr. Brown and I share one common prayer theme—that this program succeed, but in ways neither of us can take the slightest credit for. To God (alone) be the glory!

If we haven't met, I trust it will be soon. Until then, please remember to pray for the leadership of Bryan College. The most encouraging mail I receive is notes conveying peoples' intention to pray for this unique ministry, a ministry which has to be close to our Lord's heart—and hopefully yours as well.



Among those receiving awards at graduation were, from left, front, Alicia Mathers, Mrs. E.B. Arnold Student Teacher Award; Kristie Mattsson, P.A. Boyd Prize, Highest Academic Average, Alumni Faithfulness and Loyalty Award and Senior Communication Arts Scholarship Award; and Joy Motte, Most Progress Award. Back, Chris Mayberry, Outstanding Senior in Physical Education Award; Brad Johnson, Highest Academic Average; Elizabeth Johnson, Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability/Richard F. Chapin Outstanding Student Award; and Alana Yederlinic, Senior Math Award.

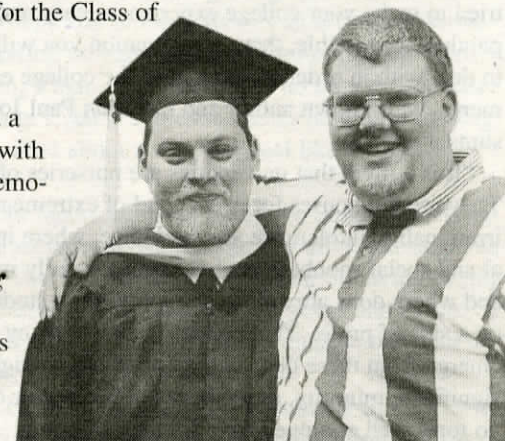
## Graduates say 'Thank You' for years at Bryan

If two words could sum up graduation weekend 1998, they probably would be "thank you."

From words of appreciation by President Dr. William E. Brown for the trust parents exhibited by sending their children to Bryan College, to the students' "thank you's" to parents, faculty and staff, to gratitude expressed to God for His provision, "thank you" rang from the beginning of vespers on May 1 to the end of the graduation ceremony on May 2.

Edgar Lieb, '48, opened the vespers service in prayer, thanking God for His provision for the Class of 1948, as well as for the Class of 1998.

The graduates mixed a healthy dose of humor with their thank-you's — memories of their freshman initiation, of meeting a future spouse, of living down stories of leaving for college with hangers of clothes still packed in the closet at home.



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Suitemates Serge Yurovsky, left, and Tim Shetter celebrate following the graduation ceremony.



# 'Hire' Education: A Sad State

*The following is a commencement address intended for a high school audience. This address was never delivered. Maybe one day.*

Unless you choose carefully you will find yourself entering a world stranger than the Twilight Zone.

## Academically Troubled?

You're probably expecting colleges and universities to be strongholds of the best America has to offer in clear thinking and positive living, providing the highest form of classroom instruction and academic mentoring.

## Don't get your hopes up.

The Carnegie Foundation just released a report on the sad state of college education in America - particularly the top 125 research universities including Harvard, Vanderbilt, Penn State, UCLA, among others. The report says that most college programs offer "boring freshman courses taught either by international graduate students who don't speak fluent or fluid English or 'tenured drones' lecturing from yellowed notes."

That should bother you. You, as an undergraduate student, provide the greatest source of revenue for the college, yet you all get the leftovers in your academic program. In fact, the Carnegie Foundation report goes on to say, most students graduate "without knowing how to think logically, write clearly, or speak coherently" - all fairly important skills if you want to have a place of significance in society.

Now, some colleges and universities will point at you and say that you are the problem. Yes, believe it or not, they say, colleges are sensitive to the market. You don't want a rigorous education, you want an easy path to a college degree. You want the most amount of success with the least amount of effort because, after all, that's the American way.

It wasn't long ago that the number one reason students attended college was "to develop a meaningful philosophy of life." Students expected and demanded quality instruction and a broad, rigorous curriculum.

Nowadays, the number one reason students attend college is to get a better job and to make more money. You want a degree in your hand to give you a leg up in the job market. Quality instruction and a rigorous curriculum would be wasted on you. Don't ask if there is an underlying philosophy or an overarching rationale for your college education. There isn't one. You just need to choose the right number of courses (if they are offered) from the list you are given and then you graduate. It is that simple.

At this point I must warn you. While colleges have tried to make your college experiences easy and as painless as possible, there is a situation you will have to deal with in order to succeed in the college environment. Well-known author and historian Paul Johnson sums it up:

"It is a myth that universities are nurseries of reason. They are hot houses for every kind of extremism, irrationality, intolerance and prejudice, where intellectual and social snobbery is almost purposefully instilled and where dons attempt to pass on to their students their own sins of pride. The wonder is that so many people emerge from these dens still employable, though a significant minority, as we have learned to our cost, go forth well equipped for a lifetime of public mischief-making."



Dr. William E. Brown

## From the President

### Morally Challenged?

Now, you are thinking, "College sounds like fun, but what am I going to do for four years?"

You've obviously not been watching the news. Haven't you seen the reports of riots on college campuses across the country? These are not the riots for civil rights or against the war in Vietnam or, get this, riots for more all required courses (yes, this actually happened!).

No, these riots were spurred on from much more personal causes - the right to party.

Here is the word from *The Chronicle of Higher Education*:

"On several campuses in recent weeks, large groups of students have clashed with police on a scale not seen since the Vietnam War protests of a generation ago. This time, the protests are over alcohol. They are demanding to be permitted to drink even though most of them are not of legal age. They want to drink when they have previously agreed that they will not drink and they want to drink when the clock says No."

At Michigan State, University of Connecticut, Washington State, University of Tennessee at Martin and others across the nation, thousands of students have violently attacked police because their "right to party" was being curtailed. At Ohio University, for example, students pelted police with rocks and bottles because one hour of bar time was lost due to the change in Daylight Savings Time. At Michigan State, 2,000 students protested because the University banned alcohol from Munn Field, a popular gathering spot for students. The protest escalated into a 60's style riot complete with fires, tear gas and arrests.

University officials were able to put a positive spin on the evening, however. Sure, they say, 2,000 students rioted but that means 40,000 students did not riot.

In colleges today, almost half of the students engaged in "binge drinking" (five or more drinks in a row). Most of the rest considered themselves "moderate drinkers."

Colleges consider alcohol the number one problem on campuses today. Not only are most student-related crimes traced to alcohol consumption, but the rising number of alcohol related deaths is troubling.

Colleges and universities are paying the price for abandoning students during their college experience. In their book, *The Abandoned Generation*, William Willimon and Thomas Naylor describe how an entire generation of college students have been left alone without any significant interaction with an adult in their college years. Now, college officials are attempting to address the consequences of this abandonment.

### But the beat goes on.

One Duke University student told a group of alumni, "Duke is a great school. You can get drunk four nights

a week and still carry an 'A' average." Not exactly the kind of quote Duke will use in its admission's materials I am sure.

### Where Do You Go From Here?

As you graduate and head to college (and half of you will), keep your eyes open and your heads up. Think in thoughts, dream big dreams. Much of your academic and moral growth will be your responsibility.

Spiritually you will really struggle - but never give up. Remember, your greatest goal is to "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength." If this is the greatest command, then the greatest sin is NOT to love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength.

Recognize the consequences of life without God - both in your personal life and in society. It is not a pretty picture, but one that can be transformed by an open acceptance of God's grace and truth. Remember as Parker Palmer says, you are not pursuing truth, truth is pursuing you.

*After all I have said you can see why we are here at Bryan College. This sounds pious and self-righteous to know, and I apologize for this. But many of us are here at Bryan College because of the many realities I have just described. Sure, we have professors here with the degrees from Vanderbilt, Southern Cal, Harvard, Berkeley, and so on, but we are here for you. Bryan is a place where students wash each other's feet (literally) where faculty mentor students; where groups gather at night to pray, not to riot.*

*Oh, Bryan is not perfect, but "Christ Above All," college motto, stares at us everyday. This, we are convinced, is the foundation for higher education.*

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# Scholarship honors families

A new Biblical Studies scholarship has been established by Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Thomas of Hixson to honor members of their families and support the ministry of Bryan College.

The Charles A. and Theda F. Thomas Biblical Studies

Scholarship will be awarded a continuing student pursuing a Biblical Studies major at Bryan, beginning with the 1998-99 academic year.

Mr. Thomas said the scholarship honors the memory of Betty Boaz Thomas, his late wife, and Graham Snow, his wife's late husband. The scholarship also honors his wife's family, the C. Harris Freeland family, and his family, the Clarence L. Thomas family.

He explained that he and his wife learned about Bryan College some five years ago and have been impressed by the Christ-centered liberal arts education

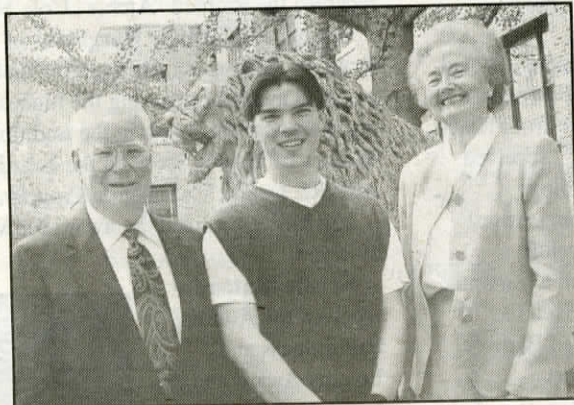
the college offers. They attend church where Dr. Mel Wilhoit, chairman of the Bryan Music Department, leads music.

"Over the past five years, we have heard various speakers, attended Christmas services and have been inspired by the students and the motto, 'Christ Above All,'" Mr. Thomas said. "We are especially impressed that so many children of missionaries have gone to Bryan."

"The Lord has been so good to us we thought we should be good to Bryan College. The amount we have given, and hope to give, is about two-thirds the cost of a new car. The question is, do you want to drive the car a little longer and do

something for the college, or buy a new car and keep up with the Joneses?"

Mr. Tom Kemner, vice president for advancement, said, "The Thomases' sincere desire to honor their family has been an incredible encouragement to me. It has served as a wonderful model to all of us. What's more,



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas of Hixson, Tenn., are pictured with Jim Nichols, the first recipient of the Charles A. and Theda F. Thomas Biblical Studies Scholarship. The scholarship is given in honor of the Thomas' families.



Jason Storie, a senior at Mt. Juliet (Tenn.) Academy who plans to enroll at Bryan College this fall, received one of 10 MCI Cutting Edge Scholars scholarships in a ceremony at the Tennessee State Capitol in May. The scholarships were awarded for innovative proposals for using the Internet to benefit individuals, businesses or their communities. On hand for the presentation were Dr. Claude Pressnell, executive director of the Tennessee Foundation for Independent Colleges; Bryan College Dean of Enrollment Management Tom Shaw; Tennessee Gov. Don Sundquist; Jason; and Bryan College Financial Aid Director Anne Rader.

their commitment to the Lord's work at Bryan College will continue to benefit us in perpetuity. Their support will help ensure that future generations of students will be able to take advantage of the quality education Bryan offers."

## Bryan's orientation wins national recognition

Bryan College was recognized for having one of the best freshman orientation programs during the first Coalition of Christian Colleges and Universities' forum on Christian higher education in April.

"Actually, the presenter told us we had the best," Vice President for Student Life Dr. Peter Held said. "They recognized everybody for something, and it was a little bit in fun — they gave us a plastic compass as our prize. But it is gratifying to know our students think we do a good job."

Dr. Held said Bryan students were part of a nationwide survey which measured satisfaction with a number of areas of college life. As part of the Coalition's forum, participating schools were invited to a seminar on how to interpret and use the data the questionnaire generated.

"The questionnaire listed various aspects of the college experience and asked two questions about each — how important is this to you? and how satisfied are you with it?" he said.

While he was happy with the orientation response, he was even more excited that "spiritual life was one of the highest areas of importance to our students, and had one of the highest levels of satisfaction."

The survey gave Coalition schools information on what their students think, as well as showing how each school compares with other Christian colleges and with state universities.

At the conference, "people came to us and asked us what we do to make orientation so successful," Dr. Held said.

He believes the secret is getting new students into small groups and group activities as soon as possible after arriving on campus. "Each group has two upper-classmen, a man and a woman, who take them under their wing. Even if someone comes here not knowing anyone, after about a day they feel like they have friends."

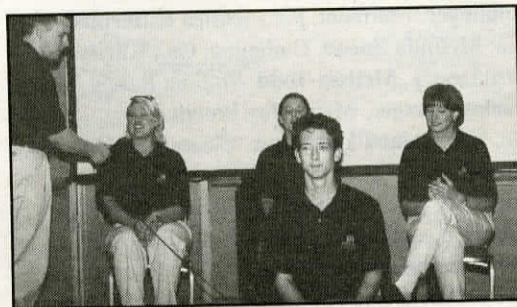
Another factor has been holding a Sunday morning worship service on campus the day after new students arrive. "That takes away the pressure of having to find transportation, of knowing how to dress and so on. Of course, if they want to go on to a church, they can do that," Dr. Held said.

"Tim Davis did a super job organizing this, but with his leaving we're going to make orientation and the whole freshman year experience part of Tina Wade's responsibilities," he said.



Admissions Counselors Sherry Hill, seated, and Christina Day chat with guests at the prospective students' reception during the Chattanooga Worldview Weekend Experience in May. More than a hundred alumni, friends of the college, prospective students and their parents attended the session which included an alumni reception as well as a program on worldview studies.

Dr. Bill Brown speaks to the alumni reception during the Chattanooga Worldview Weekend Experience in May. Alumni from the 1930s to the 1990s gathered for an update on what's happening at Bryan as well as to participate in the worldview team's presentation.



Worldview Team members present one of their skits during the Chattanooga Worldview Weekend Experience program in May. From left are Matthew Hargraves, Ashley Siskey, Allison Womble, Jeff Paulson and Jessica Ritterbush.



# Honors Day and Graduation Awards

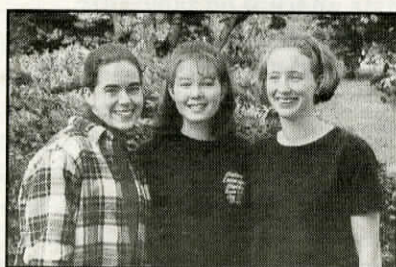
Seventy-five students were recognized during the college's 38th Honors Day assembly April 22 and during graduation May 2.

Students receiving honors included:

Seniors **Simon Sakatos** of Newton, N.C., and **Kristie Mattsson** of Oviedo, Fla.; junior **Keri-Lynn Lestmann** of Dayton, Tenn.; Sophomore **Lorraine Gonce** of Kingsport, Tenn.; and freshman **Christine Dennis** of Englewood, Colo., received the P.A. Boyd Prizes given to the students "whose principles and character have secured for them the highest degree of influence over their fellow students."

**Bethany Toliver**, a junior from Dayton, Tenn., received the Robert D. Marston Scholarship, awarded a student working his or her way through college, who has at least a 3.0 grade average and participates in the college work-study program.

**Kevin Floyd**, a freshman from Dayton, received the



**P.A. Boyd Prize winners Christine Dennis, left, and Keri-Lynn Lestmann, center, with Brynoff**

**Scholarship winner Laurie Blanton.** received Mary McDonald Groves Music Scholarships.

**Josh Mullins**, a sophomore from Athens, Tenn.; **Kevin Floyd**; and **Mary MacLean**, a sophomore from Melbourne, Fla., receive M.A. Cooley Memorial Music Scholarships. **David Gerhart**, a junior from Telford, Pa., received the Flora and William Henson Jr. Music Award.

**Laurie Blanton**, a junior from Jonesboro, Ga., received the Brynoff Scholarship, given an English major in memory of faculty member Betty Brynoff.

**Iris Griffioen**, a sophomore from Charles Town, W. Va., received the Theodore C. Mercer Scholarship, traditionally awarded to the editor of the student newspaper.

**Michelle Rich**, a sophomore from Chattanooga, received the Catherine McDonald Communications Scholarship.

**Simon Sakatos** received the Judson A. Rudd Testimony and Influence Award, given to an upperclassmen, by vote of the freshman class, who exerts the best Christian influence on incoming students. He also received the Hilltop Players



**Honors Day honorees include, from left, Damien Daspit, Frank J. Schmickl Scholarship; Kevin Floyd, Virginia Schmickl Music Award; Josh Mullins, M.A. Cooley Music Scholarship; Dave Gerhart, Flora and William Henson Jr. Music Award; and Mary MacLean, M.A. Cooley Music Scholarship.**

Senior Award.

**Alfred Miller**, a sophomore from Ooltewah, Tenn., received the Nannie K. McDonald Education Scholarship.

**Chris Petty**, a senior from Hixson, Tenn., received the Greek Award, the F.R. Rogers Senior Award in Bible and the Melvin M. Segune Award, given to a graduate who plans to attend seminary and pursue a career in missionary or pastoral service.

**Bryan Osborne**, a junior from Thomasville, N.C., received the Christian Education Award to an outstanding underclassman.

**Klon Kitchen**, a junior from West Palm Beach, Fla., and **Julie Brasher**, a sophomore from Friedrichshafen, Germany, received Lawrence E. and Lillian C. Payne Scholarships, given Biblical Studies majors.

**Julie Brasher** received the American Bible Society Award.



**Drew Robertson, left, received the Al Page Memorial Scholarship, and Ben Kreloff received the Clementson Scholarship.**

Business Administration who shows leadership potential.

**Andrew Robertson**, a junior from Gainesville, Fla., received the Al Page Memorial Scholarship.

**Damien Daspit**, a freshman from New Orleans, La., received the Frank J. Schmickl Scholarship, given the freshman with the highest achievement in mathematics. He also received the Paul McCarthy Scholarship.

**Julie Barfield**, a junior from Dayton; **Rodney**

**McChargue**, a freshman from Graysville, Tenn.;

**Jacqueline Rothwell**, a sophomore from Evensville, Tenn.;



**Award winners included, from left, Julie Brasher, American Bible Society Award; Bryan Osborne, Christian Education Award; Klon Kitchen, Payne Scholarship; and Chris Petty, Greek Award.**

given worthy students from Rhea County.

**Jim Nichols**, a junior from Dayton, received the Charles A. and Theda F. Thomas Scholarship, given to a Bible major.

Seniors receiving Practical Christian Involvement Outstanding Faithfulness and Loyalty awards included **Heather Arwe**, Hendersonville, N.C.; **Brad Fox**, Knoxville, Tenn.; **Tina Godsmark**, Knoxville; **Kathleen Hicks**, Chattanooga; **Heather Ingersoll**, Beulah Mich.; **Cynthia Kittle**, Chattanooga; **Sonya Martinez**, Madrid, Spain; **Kristie Mattsson**; **Joy Motte**, Waxhaw, N.C.; **Brenda Nollmeyer**, Clermont, Fla.; **Jessica Ritterbush**, Chattanooga; **Melinda Snead**, Cumming, Ga.; **Karissa Sofield**, Chattanooga; **Melissa Todd**, Virginia Beach, Va.; **Diana Whorley**, Saranac, Mich.; **Joy Woodcock**, Waynesville, N.C.; **Alana Yederlinic**, Clearwater, Fla.; **Serge Yurovsky**.

**Serge Yurovsky** received the Triangle Service Award.

**Josh Mullins**, a sophomore from Athens, Tenn., and **Laura Yates**, a freshman from Lithonia, Ga., received the Hilltop Players Scholarship Award.

**Emily Keja**, a junior from Creekside, Pa., received the Doris Morgan Scholarship, awarded to an education major.

Freshmen receiving History of Western Civilization awards for the highest scholastic ranking in their section included **Joy Miller**, Briggsdale, Colo.; **Michelle**

**Edwards**, Statesville, N.C.; **Tamera James**, Waxhaw, N.C.; and **Damien Daspit**.

**Melanie Unruh**, a freshman from Knoxville, received the CRC Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award.

**Seth Jensen**, a sophomore from Elizabethton, Tenn., received the Richard "Archie" Cole Memorial Fund Award.

Graduates **Matthew Hargraves** of Harrison, Tenn.; **Bradley Johnson** of Milton, Fla., and **Kristie Mattsson** received awards for having the highest academic record during their years at Bryan in the traditional program. **Sara Walker** of Dayton received the award for graduates in the ASPIRE Degree Completion Program.

**Joy Motte** received the award for Most Progress in the ASPIRE program at Bryan.

**Kristie Mattsson** received the Alumni Faithfulness and Loyalty Award and the Senior Communication Arts Scholarship Award.

Graduates receiving Evangelical Training Association diplomas included, **Bradley Fox**, **Cynthia Kittle**, **Sonya Martinez**, **Erin McKinley** of Louisville, Ky., **Melody Owens** of

Norfolk, Va., **Jason Schultz** of Antioch, Tenn., **Diana Whorley**, **Joy Woodcock** and **Alana Yederlinic**.

**Bradley Fox** received the Christian Education Award to an Outstanding Senior.

**Christina Broome**, a senior from Duluth, Ga., received the Chorale Member of the Year and the Symphonic Ensemble Member of the Year awards.

**Andrew Heathershaw** of Huntsville, Ala., received the F.R. Rogers Senior Award in Music.

**Tonya Ivanova** and **Oleg Sinitsin**, both of St. Petersburg, Russia, received the Outstanding Seniors in Business awards.

**Dimitri Bogachev**, a graduate from St. Petersburg, received the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award.

**Elizabeth Tidwell Johnson** of Eustis, Fla., received the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability/Richard Chapin Outstanding Student Award.

**Alana Yederlinic** received the Senior Math Award.

**Chris Mayberry** of Winter Springs, Fla., received the Outstanding Senior in Physical Education Award.

**Alicia Mathers** of Greenville, S.C., received the M.E.B. Arnold Student Teacher Award for secondary level

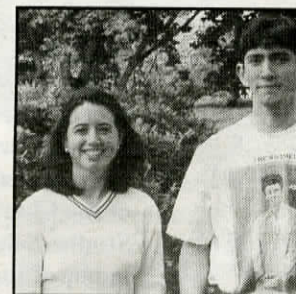


**Michelle Rich, left, received the McDonald Communications Scholarship and Iris Griffioen received the Mercer Scholarship.**

Knoxville received the Outstanding Senior in Liberal Arts Award.

Graduate **Jonathan Compton** of Perry, Iowa, received the William Jennings Bryan Philological Award.

**Dr. Sigrid Luther** and **Dr. Melvin Wilhoit** received the Outstanding Teacher awards.



**Wendi Bauman received the Psychology Award, and Alana Yederlinic received the McDonald Education scholarship.**

candidates and **Jeff Paulson** of Traver, Mich., received the award for elementary level candidates.

Graduates **Lou Velarde** of Coral Springs, Fla., and **David Varner** of Hixson, Tenn., shared the Psychology Award.

**David Munro** of Knoxville received the Outstanding Senior in Liberal Arts Award.



# Members of the Bryan College Class of 1998

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*summa cum laude*  
+Leah Wilson  
History  
Rockingham, North Carolina  
*magna cum laude*  
Allison Womble

English Literature  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
\*Sharon Elizabeth Wood  
Music: Applied Voice  
Mauldin, South Carolina  
Joy Lynn Woodcock  
Christian Education  
Waynesville, North Carolina  
*magna cum laude*  
Alana Marie Yederlinic  
Christian Education  
Clearwater, Florida  
*magna cum laude*  
\*Serge Yurovsky  
Communication Arts

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

\*Joseph S. Andreas  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Spring City, Tennessee  
*magna cum laude*  
Heather Joy Arwe  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Hendersonville, North Carolina  
Jeannie Kay Babb  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Ringgold, Georgia  
*magna cum laude*  
John Samuel Bailey  
Music Education  
Spring Grove, Virginia  
*cum laude*  
\*Rebecca A. Baldwin  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Pikeville, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Janice Marie Balko  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Trisha Lyn Balko  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
Dimitri Borisovich Bogachev  
Business Administration:  
Management  
St. Petersburg, RUSSIA  
*magna cum laude*  
Christina Lynn Broome  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Duluth, Georgia  
*cum laude*  
Ryan Matthew Buck  
Physical Education  
Portsmouth, Virginia  
\*Rebecca Buxbaum  
Liberal Arts: Nursing  
Sebring, Florida  
*cum laude*  
+Jeremy Cheon  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Marathon, Florida  
James Marvin Cooper  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Prescott, Arizona  
\*Jeremy Troy Davidson  
Biology  
Woodsey, Georgia  
Brooke Robyn Davis  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Atlanta, Georgia  
\*Debra L. Dunn  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management

Chattanooga, Tennessee  
Teresa Sue Ensley  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Spring City, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Charles Wayne Fox  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Atlanta, Georgia  
\*Kevin J. Frazier  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
Elizabeth Elaine Freeman  
Music Education  
Rising Sun, Maryland  
*magna cum laude*  
\*Jennifer J. Gann  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Spring City, Tennessee  
\*John F. Garland  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
\*Tonia K. Garland  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
*magna cum laude*  
Tina Renee Godsmark  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Knoxville, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Joel Lee Gonce  
Biology  
Kingsport, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
+James Harrison  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
*magna cum laude*  
++Amanda E. Hicks  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
*magna cum laude*  
\*Allison Hobson  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Traverse City, Michigan  
*cum laude*  
Andrew Paul Hurley  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Auburndale, Florida  
Heather Ann Ingersoll  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Beulah, Michigan  
*magna cum laude*  
Antonina Ivanova  
Business Administration:  
Accounting  
St. Petersburg, RUSSIA  
*summa cum laude*  
Stepfan Jiles  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Memphis, Tennessee  
Elizabeth Ann Johnson  
Business Administration:  
Accounting  
Eustis, Florida  
*summa cum laude*  
Neville O'Neil Johnson  
Business Administration:  
Management  
St. Catherine, JAMAICA  
Christian Abu Johnson

Business Administration:  
Management  
Freetown, SIERRA LEONE  
\*Wilma Loressie Johnson  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
\*Angela D. Kittle  
Business Administration:  
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Ringgold, Georgia  
\*Donald Darren Kittle  
Business Administration:  
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\*Jerry D. Ladd  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Kingston, Tennessee  
*magna cum laude*  
Alicia Suzanne Mathers  
Mathematics:  
Secondary Education  
Greenville, South Carolina  
Christopher E. Mayberry  
Physical Education  
Winter Springs, Florida  
\*Velda K. McGrady  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Pikeville, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Cristen Simpson Montgomery  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Roswell, Georgia  
*cum laude*  
Andrea Helene Moore  
Biology  
Clifton Forge, Virginia  
+Calvin Gene Nichols  
Business Administration:  
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Dayton, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Brenda Dian Nollmeyer  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Clermont, Florida  
*cum laude*  
Elisa Ruiz Ozores  
Biology  
Cancun, MEXICO  
Jeffrey Phillip Paulson  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Traverse City, Michigan  
\*Mildred Maria Poinsett  
Business Administration:  
Accounting  
Dayton, Tennessee  
+Keri Leigh Polson  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Charlotte, North Carolina  
\*Alan Phillip Rains  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Nashville, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Jessica Ann Ritterbush  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
*summa cum laude*  
++Jessica Anne Sharkey  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Greencastle, Pennsylvania  
\*Jerome D. Simpson  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Chisleon, ENGLAND

+Oleg Sinitsin  
Business Administration:  
Management  
St. Petersburg, RUSSIA  
*summa cum laude*  
\*Darla Jeanne Smith  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Spring City, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Tiffany Renee Snyder  
Biology  
Princeton, Indiana  
*cum laude*  
Karissa SuAnne Sofield  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
*magna cum laude*  
Catherine Elizabeth Spell  
Liberal Arts  
Brooksville, Florida  
\*Keith Darrin Taylor  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Melissa Lynne Todd  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Virginia Beach, Virginia  
*cum laude*  
\*Christopher Domenic Triolo  
Biology  
Virginia Beach, Virginia  
Bob Bryan Tullberg  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
\*Sammy R. Walker  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Dayton, Tennessee  
*summa cum laude*  
\*Gail Waller  
Business Administration:  
Organizational Management  
Spring City, Tennessee  
*magna cum laude*  
Marcy Lynn Whisman  
Liberal Arts:  
Elementary Education  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
*cum laude*  
Mandy Joy Wills  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Lowell, Michigan  
Bradley Todd Wing  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Monroe, North Carolina  
*cum laude*  
Barbara Suzanne Wing  
Business Administration:  
Management  
Seymour, Tennessee  
\*Cynthia Sue Wright  
Mathematics-Computer Science  
Atlanta, Georgia  
Alana Marie Yederlinic  
Mathematics-Computer Science  
Clearwater, Florida  
*magna cum laude*  
+December 1997 Graduate  
++December 1998 Graduate  
\*August Candidate



## Women finish second in TVAC tennis tourney

The best record ever, along with a second-place finish in the TVAC conference tournament has Coach Bob Andrews singing the praises of his women's tennis team.

A 7-3 record during the regular season reversed last year's 4-7 scorecard for the Lady Lions. Only Milligan beat Bryan twice, and the Lady Lions split with conference powerhouse Clinch Valley.

Dr. Andrews was particularly pleased that each of his players had winning records, led by senior Melinda Snead, who was 10-0 and won the conference tournament at No. 2. Amy Ford, playing No. 6, finished the year 9-1 and advanced to the conference championship match at her ranking.

Also advancing to the conference finals were Alison Villanova at No. 1, who finished the year 7-2; Wendi Bauman, who finished the year 6-3 at No. 3; and the doubles team of Tracy Schultz and Amy Ford, who lost in three sets to Clinch Valley.

The coach was excited by the progress he saw in his team this year, especially with Melinda's play. "No one could touch her," he said. He pointed out that a year ago Melinda played No. 1, but was happy to yield that slot to Alison this year. "Alison only lost twice this year. She had a bad match in the conference finals and could have won that one."

Wendi, too, showed improvement. "She was in the championship match a year ago and was up 5-1 in the third set, but lost. This year she played an exceptional match — better than I've ever seen her play," Dr. Andrews said. "In the first set she was ahead 4-1, but the other girl tied the match at 4-4. Wendi won the next



Members of the TVAC women's tournament runners-up team included, from left, Alison Villanova, Mandy Wills, Melinda Snead, Amy Ford and Rachelle Elliott. Not pictured are Tracy Schultz and Wendi Bauman.

two games, then the next set 6-1."

He also praised Amy, who "played out of her mind. She reached the finals of the tournament and lost in three sets. Then in the doubles match, she and Tracy lost in the finals in another three-set match.

"They played like champions," he said. "This was the

best team finish of any sport at Bryan this year.

Looking ahead to next year, he is seeking ment for Melinda, who graduated. But with tion he will gain an assistant, as she plans to the team.

The men's team, on the other hand, struggled a 3-6 season, but were encouraged with wins over Montreat, King and Milligan.

Part of the struggle came as a result of an injury to No. 1 player Brad Fox. "Every step up a level until Brad came back, which was disruptive."

Last year the Lions tied for fifth in the conference tournament, and hoped to improve this season for fifth again.

A bright spot was Josh Johnson reaching No. 6. Josh had the best individual record at Bryan. Dr. Andrews expects him to move up to No. 1 next season.

Another bright spot was the final dual match with Milligan, where Bryan recorded a 6-3 win. "It was a tough, hard-fought match," he said. "Matt Snead, 2, beat their last year's No. 1; we won all three matches, and Tyler Seera and Nate Bauman won their singles matches."

Next year, the team will look to replace Brad Fox. Nate Bauman, who graduated, and Bryan Osborn has decided not to play.

## Shauna Murrey Honorable Mention All-America



Coach Sherri Mao and Shauna Murrey.

Shauna Murrey, a center for the Bryan College Lady Lions basketball team, has earned All-America honorable mention recognition for her play this season.

Shauna led the team with 7.8 rebounds and 10.8 points per game and contributed 25 assists and 42 steals during the season. Her field goal percentage of 40.7 was the highest on the team.

Her rebounding led the National Christian College Athletic Association's Midwest Region and ranked in the top 10 in the NAIA Tennessee-Virginia Athletic Conference. She was third in the TVAC in blocked shots and eighth in field goal percentage. She was named to the NCCAA All-District team and an honorable mention All-America by the NCCAA in recognition of her achievements.

Shauna received her degree in English literature in May, but will return to Bryan in the fall to complete requirements for teacher licensure. Her coach, Dr. Sherri Mao, said she will be an assistant coach in the coming season.

"Shauna made a strong contribution to the Lady Lions," Coach Mao said. "Her honors are well-deserved. I look forward to having her work with us next year."

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☐ I would like to establish my annuity at this time. Enclosed is my check.

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# Faculty/Staff Notes

**Dr. Paul Boling, Mr. Freddie Cardoza, Dr. David Fouts, Mr. Dennis Ingolfsland and Mr. Ernie Ricketts** attended the Southeast Regional meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society in Columbia, S.C., in March. Dr. Fouts presented a review and interacted with the authors of a forthcoming textbook, *Encountering the Old Testament*. Mr. Ingolfsland presented a paper entitled "The Historical Jesus According to John Meier and N.T. Wright: A Comparison of Historical Methodology and Conclusions." He also has received word that Hendrickson Publishers is considering his book proposal on the historical Jesus.

**Dr. Bill Brown** spoke at a retreat for First Baptist Church, Spring City, Tenn., in April. He and members of the Worldview Team gave worldview presentations at Buffat Heights Baptist Church in Knoxville, Tenn.; Lakeland Christian School in Lakeland, Fla.; and Faith

Baptist Church in Orlando, Fla., in April and May.

**Dr. Richard Cornelius, Dr. Ray Legg, Mr. Tony Castlen ('80) and Mr. Tony McCuiston ('84)**, traveled to New Orleans, La., in April to present information on the Scopes Trial and perform a portion of *Destiny in Dayton* for the American College of Family Trial Lawyers at the organization's national convention.

**Mrs. Marcy Froemke** has been inducted into the Alpha Kappa chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, an international organization for women teachers.

**Mrs. Vonnie Johnson and Miss Laura Kaufmann** attended the Appalachian College Association "JSTOR" workshop at Lee University in March. "JSTOR" is a leading-edge project, funded by the Mellon Foundation, to provide full-image, on-line access to key academic journals.

**Mr. Matt Marcus** provided software evaluation train-

ing to Dayton City School teachers in the 21st Century Classroom in April. He also began a nine-week training session for 30 La-Z-Boy Tennessee employees in April to cover topics such as Windows 95, Microsoft Word, the Internet and Microsoft Excel.



Five staff members are leaving Bryan College at the end of this fiscal year. Pictured following a farewell reception are, from left, admissions counselor Sherry Hill, cheerleader sponsor Lisa Davis, counselor Tim Davis, financial development assistant Pam Davis and admissions counselor Christina Day.

## CAREER DEVELOPMENT SERVICES EXPANDED BEGINNING NEXT YEAR

"Since my arrival on campus five years ago, I have tried to directly or indirectly stimulate developing career services extended to our students. I am very excited that we are taking a tangible step in the right direction beginning next fall," said Tom Kemner, vice president for Advancement.

Through restructuring of positions and functions, beginning in the fall semester, Marlene Fouts will be serving as the coordinator for career placement at Bryan College. Mrs. Fouts has divided a part-time role between the Alumni office and Career Service offices during the past year. Already the college has witnessed some of her creative ability in assisting students in this strategic way.

In the past six months she has developed extensive electronic communication of job openings and opportu-

nities which are available through Bryan's Internet home page. She also has offered extensive counseling services to pending graduates and alumni who are working to develop more effective resumes and presentation portfolios.

"With the expansion of my role to full-time, in addition to the services we have been able to expand to students, I'll also be able to spend a portion of my time in the field networking with personnel and human resource offices in corporations across our region," Mrs. Fouts said. "It's important that we build relationships with them, increasing their awareness of the quality students that Bryan College produces. We feel this proactive outreach will reap significant rewards for our grads and alums."

Other programs being considered include concepts such as an alumni job network where alums will feed

back to the college the names and positions of individuals making hiring decisions within their own organizations, and the opportunity to communicate openings to the college through electronic or other media.

"By expanding these services in this way it further validates our contention that a Bryan College education is not an end to itself, but rather a beginning point for a life of fruitful ministry and service," Mr. Kemner said.

"These changes do not signify all we intend to do in this area. Our goal is to continue to look for new and innovative ways to assist graduates in making a smooth transition to productive employment as well as serving our alums who are facing job mobilities."



Twenty-eight students received financial assistance through the Marble Hensley Scholarship fund, established by friends of the long-time Trustee of Bryan College to honor his service to the college and Chattanooga community and to assist deserving students. Mr. and Mrs. Hensley were honored at a luncheon with recipients and friends this spring. Mr. and Mrs. Hensley, front, are pictured following the program with, from left, Jenn Smith, Lydia Tallent, Michelle Phaneuf, Anna Davis, Jenny Mathis, Vashti Pearson and Mary Bragg. Back are Josh Daugereau, William Maza, Phil Jones, Bryan President Dr. William E. Brown, trustee Erwin Latimer, Spencer Wright, the Rev. Ronald Ragon, Richard Park, Neville Johnson and Mark Anderson.

Three faculty members presented a biographical sketch of William Jennings Bryan during the college's Heritage Day program in March. Academic



Vice President Dr. David Masoner, second from right, served as master of ceremonies and introduced Dr. Jack Traylor, left, who spoke on Bryan's early life; Dr. William Ketchersid, who spoke on Bryan's political career; and Dr. Richard Cornelius, right, who spoke on Bryan's spiritual life and his participation in the Scopes Trial.

Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Dr. Edward J. Larson, left, was honored at a reception at Bryan College in May while he was in Dayton filming an interview for a Court TV program on the Scopes Trial.



Dr. Larson, professor of history and law at the University of Georgia, won the Pulitzer Prize in history for his book *Summer for the Gods: The Scopes Trial and America's Continuing Debate Over Science and Religion*. The book contains numerous photographs of the trial provided by the Bryan College Scopes Trial collection. Bryan President Dr. William E. Brown presented Dr. Larson a print of the Rhea County Courthouse during the reception.



## ...Grads say Thank You (continued from page 1)

There were words of appreciation — for students who challenged each other academically, spiritually and supported each other socially.

As Brad Johnson said, "I have come to appreciate what Bryan has to offer. I'm grateful God has established a place where we can spend time with people like these."

Matthew Hargraves told his parents that Proverbs 22:6 has become an important challenge to him because of their desire to train him "in the way he should go." "Mom, Dad, I hope, whatever I do, you will feel that this verse is fulfilled in me," he said.

Class President David Mundy announced the class gift — two stone lions to sit in front of the new Student Life Center, matching the two in front of the Administration Building.

As the vespers service concluded, Dr. Brown called class members to the stage area, where they formed a circle, holding to a red ribbon with "Bryan College"



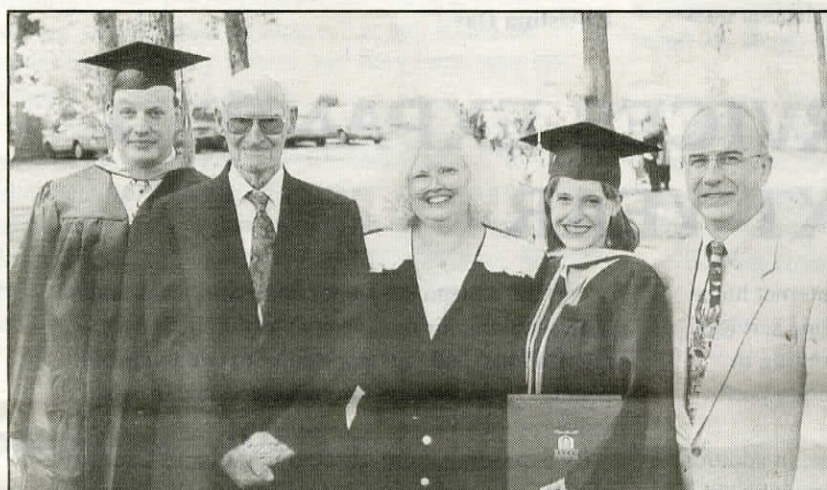
**Graduation was a true family affair for Terry, left, Trisha and Jan Balko, right. Terry, '74, and Jan, '75, served as honorary marshals for commencement, then Jan added a degree in Business Administration/Organizational Management to her elementary education degree. Trisha also earned a Business Administration degree.**

sorrows and victories of the past years.

From being the last freshman class to "enjoy" initiation, she said, "one of the most precious memories that we have shared as seniors was when we were able to begin a new tradition at Bryan by washing the feet of incoming freshmen."

While class members were making memories, they also were being blessed by the Lord. "Since our lives have been built upon Jesus, we can face the tides of uncertainty and the challenges of this world because Jesus will be our refuge and our stronghold in times of trouble.

"Because we have this sure fo



**Three generations of Bryan graduates celebrated as Andrew and Sarah Hurley received their degrees. Wayne Colvin, '35; his daughter, Alice Colvin Hurley, '69; and Alice's husband, Ken, '68, celebrated Andrew's and Sarah's achievement.**

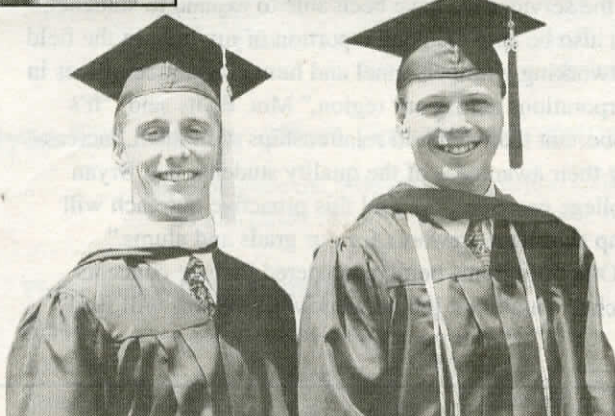
printed on it. He clipped the ribbon for each graduate to take a piece as a reminder of the connection to the college and to each of their classmates.

Graduation day dawned dark and rainy, the conclusion of a stormy night. But by the time graduation practice began at 7:45 a.m., the rain had stopped and the skies began to clear. The thousand folding chairs rented for the occasion got a quick swipe with a towel and, with numerous prayers about the weather sent heavenward, the graduation participants prepared for the 10 a.m. program.

Promptly at 10 a.m., the procession marched down the steps of the Administration Building and faculty and platform guests stepped to their place on the porch of



**Matthew Hargraves gives his friend and fellow history major Brad Johnson a helping hand with his hood as they prepare for graduation.**



**Simon Sakatos, left, received the P.A. Boyd Prize, the Judson A. Rudd Testimony and Influence Award and the Hilltop Players Senior Award. Chris Petty, right, received the Greek Award, the F.R. Rogers Senior Award in Bible and the Melvin M. Seguire Award.**



**Andrew Heathershaw, left, who received the F.R. Rogers Senior Award in Music, spends a moment with Chris Triolo.**

dation in Christ, we can face our futures with eager anticipation. As we depart from here, we can be likened unto vessels that the Lord will use for His purposes. We are God's sailing vessels that are now leaving the port of preparation in order to set sail on the sea of life.

"May today be the beginning of an incredible and unforgettable journey in which you allow your Creator to determine your course to make you a vessel of His love, and to help you discover all the opportunities that await you."

Simon Sakatos, also a communication arts major, said while his class received a challenging academic education, "The most important thing I have learned from the people around me here is that there is nothing that can substitute for a personal relationship with the Creator.

the new Student Life Center while graduates took their places on seats under the trees on the Triangle.

Dr. Brown pointed out that "this is the first time in many years we have had graduation outside." And later in the service, when Jan Balko, a member of the Class of 1975, stepped to the microphone to acknowledge her Class of 1998 diploma, she pointed out that "24 years ago, on this very spot, I received my degree."

Continuing a long-standing tradition, three graduates gave commencement addresses. Kristie Mattsson, a communication arts major, used her speech to remind seniors of the joys,



**Members of the Class of 1998 gathered at the front of Rudd Auditorium following their vespers service the night before graduation to take part in what has become a vespers tradition. Before closing in prayer, Dr. Bill Brown had each graduate take hold of a ribbon, which he then clipped, giving them a little piece of Bryan College to take with them.**





Dimitri Bogachev, left, received the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award and Tonya Ivanova and Oleg Sinitsin shared the Outstanding Senior in Business Award.

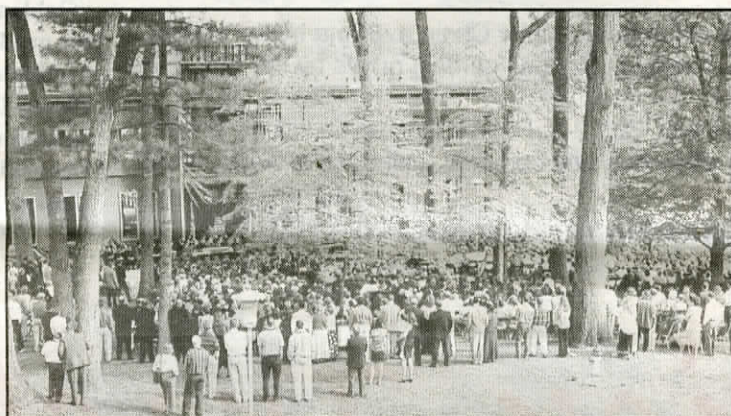
"Our God is an awesome God, and if it were not for His provision, I would not be here today. But He is more than a fountain of blessing, giving to His faithful all that they need; He is the lover of my soul. That is how He desires to be known. This has been the most important part of my education at Bryan."

In keeping with the theme of thanksgiving, Simon added, "There is one more important thing I want to say before I stop. 'Thank you.' To my family, thank you. To the friends that have made these past four years what they have been, thank you. To the faculty and staff of Bryan College, thank you for your years of faithful love and endurance."

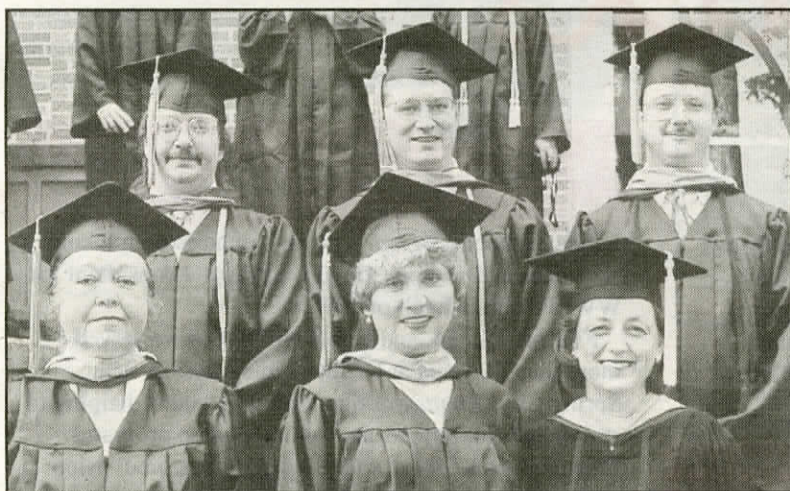
Sammy Walker, an ASPIRE graduate, added



Even Dr. Brown, left, got involved with setting up 1,000 chairs on the Triangle for graduation. He was just dressed a little better than most of the other workers, including Kem Harris, '97, and Bill Sidebotham.



More than a thousand family members and friends of the Class of 1998 gathered on the Triangle in front of the new Student Life Center for the first outdoor graduation in many years. Although the skies threatened rain until shortly before the ceremony, the clouds parted and the day turned bright by the time the last diploma was handed out.



Bryan's ASPIRE Degree Completion Program offers area residents the opportunity to complete a business degree in less than 18 months while they maintain a full-time job. United Technologies Automotive's Dayton operation saw six of its staff complete their B.S. degrees in Business Administration/Organizational Management, including, from left, front, Wilma Johnson, Debra Dunn and Jan Balko. Back are Joe Andreas, Jerry Ladd and John Garland.

his thanks to family, friends, faculty and fellow students and left with the challenge, "It's important to use our blessings, especially the blessing of education which we are celebrating today, to make a better world."

A highlight of the service was presentation of commemorative diplomas to members of the Class of 1948, who returned for their special reunion. Dr. Brown presented the diplomas to the Rev. George Birch of Chattanooga, Tenn.; Mrs. Helen Parden Goehring of Lakeland, Fla.; Mrs. Ruth Williams Johnson of Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; Edgar Lieb of

Crestview, Fla.; Dr. Ila Ruth Mahr of Snellville, Ga.; C. Dean Risser of Ashland, Ohio; Mrs. Ella Lee Hall Risser of Ashland, Ohio; and Mrs. Vivian McBride Walvatne of Minneapolis, Minn.

With the recessional, the Class of 1998 marched one more time toward the Administration Building, but this time broke into groups of family and friends, hugging, laughing, crying on the lawn as the new alumni paused to savor their Bryan experience one more time on the Triangle.



Laura McDaniel, left, and Tiffany Snyder did a lot together during their years at Bryan, but Laura's changing majors meant they didn't get to graduate together. But they did have one more moment for the camera following commencement.

*'Thank You'*



Adam Varner and Lou Velarde shared the Psychology Award.



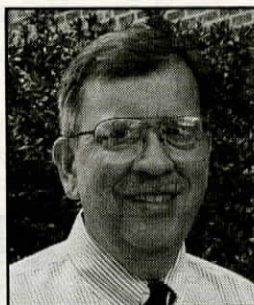
Sunny Simpson, '94; Beth Simpson Poole, '92; and Susi Simpson Mann, '92, enjoy graduation with Susi's son, Andrew McDonald.



## Get ready for Alumni Weekend!

Summer is here. Conferences of all types have taken over the campus. Alumni Weekend, July 17-18, fits in between a camp of teenagers and two weeks of Summit Ministries. Although our students are not here, we have lots of activity.

We will be busy planning Homecoming during the summer and trust you will put Oct. 2-3 on your calendar. See Homecoming article elsewhere. We will also



## Director's Corner

Paul Ardelean

be sending you a ballot for you to select officers for the Alumni Association Executive Committee which will be installed at Homecoming.

The position of Career Services Director was upgraded to full time on July 1, 1998, with Marlene Fouts as the director. Please let her know of job openings Bryan alumni might be interested in, and she will be happy to post them. Also, if you are considering a career move, Mrs. Fouts will be happy to let you know of openings she knows about.

# HOMEcoming

October 2-3, 1998

Oct. 2-3, 1998, are the dates to remember. Alumni from around the world will gather on Bryan's campus to see friends and classmates, refresh memories, enjoy the various activities and see the new Student Center, currently under construction.

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Make your plans to be here on Friday and/or Saturday, Oct. 2-3. Registration again will be in the Alumni tent near the flagpole, and will begin Friday afternoon and continue until Saturday afternoon.



"Golden Grads," members of the Class of 1948 who returned for graduation in 1998 included, from left, front, Vivian McBride Walvatne, Helen Parden Goehring, Ella Lee Hall Risser, Georgia Standen Weyrich and Miriam Uphouse. Second row, Ila Ruth Mahr, Ruth Ella Williams Johnson and Dean Risser. Back are Alumni Director Paul Ardelean, George Birch and Ed Lieb.

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## 30's

### Reunions

*Class of '38*  
July '98 (60 years)

## 40's

### Reunions

*Class of '43*  
Oct. '98 (55 years)

*Class of '49*  
May '99 (50 years)

CALVIN, '44, and Grace MILLER, moved from Lancaster, Pa., to Mercer, Pa., on May 27. Calvin's activities have been restricted somewhat because of vision problems. If you are in the Erie/Pittsburgh area, stop and see them at 395 Latonka Dr., Mercer, PA 16137.

## 50's

### Reunions

*Class of '53*  
Oct. '98 (45 years)

*Class of '58*  
July '98 (40 years)

BUD, '54, and LOLLY (GEARHEART), '54, FRITZ are living in Vinton, Va. Bud retired Dec. 31, 1997, and recently joined the staff at his home church. His job includes home visitation and starting a new

Sunday school program with an emphasis on tracking absentees and visitors. He also remains a consultant for WWLIT until March of 1999.

FRANCIS, '54, and Hazel NEDDO have served more than 40 years at Cedine Bible Mission, near Spring City, Tenn., working with quiz teams, helping in spring and fall retreats and summer camp programs. Francis is grateful for over 80 percent restored vision after eye surgery.

Roger and NAOMI (HILDEBRAND), '55, WALK-WITZ received the startling news last March that their son, Ray, along with his wife Carolyn and their two sons, were killed in a plane crash as they were returning home from the Bahamas. Ray was a pilot who had his own airplane business in Florida.

CHARLES "SPUD," '56, and CHARLOTTE (DAVIS), '56X, WILLOUGHBY rejoice in Spud's recent month-long ministry in Cuba, where he taught an intense two-week course on "Introduction to the Major Prophets" to 69 students at New Pines Bible Seminary. He held a three-day pastoral retreat for 30 of the younger pastors, their wives, and some other full-time Christian education workers, all Cubans. In small villages he preached in house churches and in some larger city churches which have 250 or more people



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every Sunday. He was amazed to find many accomplished musicians and heard the "Hallelujah Chorus" sung in Spanish for the first time. He was pleased to find God's work more stable and widespread than he had expected, while the economic and housing conditions have deteriorated greatly. He hopes to return there next year. He and Charlotte make their home in Lawrenceville, Ga.

**GERALD, '59, and AMY (WILSON), '59, SMITH** live in Duluth, Ga., where Jerry is associate director of Biblical Ministries Worldwide. Last fall Jerry traveled in 15 states, shared in 87 meetings, visited in 39 churches, with 12 pastors' and men's meetings and had 68 occasions to speak. December was a month at home to include abdominal surgery for Jerry, plus a four-day family Christmas with children, spouses and grandchildren, totaling 32 people sharing the fellowship.

**DWIGHT, '59, and Phyllis ZIMMERMAN** continue their ministry with Cedine Bible Mission near Spring City, Tenn., where Dwight serves as executive director, succeeding his father, Paul Zimmerman, the mission's founder. Their spring season included three ladies' retreats, which averaged about 140 each weekend. There were 36 quiz teams that participated in the finals at Cedine, with about 260 attending. A full summer schedule of week-long camps began in mid-June. Construction of the Jubilee Center at Cedine is well underway to provide additional facilities to house and serve conference guests. Cedine has been assisted in this project by H.I.M., a Christian construction organization that serves various missions.

## 60's

### Reunions

*Class of '63*  
Oct. '98 (35 years)

*Class of '68*  
July '98 (30 years)

**DAN, '63X, and SHELBY (SKINNER), '61, HARRISON** find themselves in a strategic ministry with Middle East Media at their overseas headquarters on the island of Cyprus. Recently the video division of MEM completed a 15-part video series on the Biblical parables of Jesus for children in the Arabic language. Rights to show the series have been bought by Saudi Arabian and Arabic Radio and Television with an estimated viewership of 28 million children per episode, plus other family members who watch. Their magazine, *Magala Magazine*, now goes to 15 countries with a readership of 400,000. Questions have come from 26,000 mostly Muslim readers. The Harrisons have had a busy schedule with Dan traveling about half of the time. Shelby is hoping to begin a systematic study of Greek in the fall, while Dan continues to work

on Arabic.

**RON, '64, and DIANE (PECK), '64X, MORREN,** reside in Waxahachie, Texas, as they maintain their affiliation with Wycliffe Bible Translators. Ron has been teaching applied linguistic and sociolinguistic courses for aspiring Bible translators, literacy workers and others serving God cross-culturally. Diane contin-

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ues teaching English as a second language in the local Duncanville school district to children whose families speak a language other than English. The Morrens have been invited to return this summer to a Caribbean Island called San Andres, belonging to Colombia, to advise in development of the bilingual curriculum for the elementary schools. They had consulted with Creole-speaking leaders last November concerning the use of bilingual education. Using the Creole language in the school would prepare people to use the Scriptures in their mother tongue. The Creole leaders who started a Christian university with their first classes in February have requested the assistance of the Morrens, hopefully in June.

**PAUL, '68, and Sandy TIMBLIN** left their home in Lemgo, Germany, for three weeks last August to help Paul's parents move near their two daughters in central Pennsylvania, and to get their son, Michael, settled into Bryan College. The Timblins report that 42 students graduated from Brake Bible Institute and 52 new students are in the first-year class. They welcomed Dr. Charles Ryrie for the fourth year as a guest Bible teacher. In November Paul took a group of Brake students to

do door-to-door evangelism, and Paul also taught the books of Thessalonians.

**DOUG, '69, and DENISE (SASNETT), '73, FROEMKE** recently moved to Madison, Ga., where they are closer to their son, Swen. Doug is employed as a workman's compensation administrator for Sedgwick of Georgia in Atlanta, where he enjoys working as a loss prevention consultant. Doug and Denise's new address is: 1312 Pinecrest Court, Madison, GA 30650.

**BILL SLOCUM, '69,** has been named director of Miracle Hill Children's Home in Pickens, S.C. This residential children's home serves about 50 children from birth through age 21. Many of the children are from homes where abuse, neglect, poverty, crime or broken family relationships have been present. The Children's Home operates a crisis center for children birth through age 11 who will stay for less than 90 days. It also operates a long-term care program for children ages 12 through 21. Their goal is working toward reunification of the family by removing obstacles which necessitated placement initially. The mission of Miracle Hill Children's Home is to provide food, shelter and compassion to those most in need while leading them to Jesus Christ and helping them to become productive members of society.

## 70's

### Reunions

*Class of '73*  
Oct. '98 (25 years)

*Class of '78*  
July '98 (20 years)

**KATHLYNN EVE (HAMMOND), '70, CRAMER** received a Master of Education Multi-Handicap degree from Ashland University on May 9. She and her husband, **STEPHEN, '70,** live in Mansfield, Ohio, where she is a teacher at Mansfield City School and he is pastor of Mansfield Evangelical Church.

Will and **MARTHA (JONES), '72, FAIRES** recently celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary and are thankful for these years and their three godly sons. They reside in Charlotte, N.C., and are seeking to reach college students for Christ under the Reformed University Ministries. Thursday/Friday Bible study groups at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte have been fruitful, and churches and other individuals have been willing to get involved in the lives of internationals.

**DAN HOBBS, '73,** is boys basketball coach at Park Bible Academy in Pennsville, N.J. The team won the Delaware Valley Christian Athletic Conference for the second year and is the American Association of Christian Schools Division "A" Mid-East Region cham-



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pion. The team also received the conference's Christian Testimony Award.

**JOEL, '75X**, and **SUSAN (KLINGBERG), '75X, KOCHER**, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary recently. Their daughter, **KRISTEN, '97**, and **NATHAN LORENZEN, '98X**, were married Nov. 22, 1997, in West Jefferson, Ohio. They make their home in Birmingham, Ala. Joel and Susan's son, Nathan, is attending Anderson University in Indiana.

**KEITH, '75**, and **FRANKIE (DILLINGER), '77X, PATMAN** decided not to go to Cameroon this summer

Fortaleza and moved into it before Lucy left Brazil. She has been visiting with her parents at their present home in Crestview, Fla., and also spent time in missionary quarters next door to her home church, First Baptist Church of Evans City, Pa. She anticipates returning to Brazil in August, shortly after her sister, **NANCY RUTH, '77X**, arrives from Brazil for a family reunion.

**DENNIS, '77**, and **RENA (HANNA), '77, MET-ZGER** were excited to receive a gift of property from a man who saw their need for a larger place to meet. They hope to construct a cement block building before winter in San Luis, Argentina, which is summer in the U.S. They are pleased to see new faces in their meetings including one whole family that have been saved since Christmas time.

**JAMES, '79**, and Jane **WELLS** with their son, Josh, serve under the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Maracay, Venezuela. They serve with a church that is two and a half years old and has an average attendance of 100 people. Now they are considering whether to buy the house they are renting for their sanctuary so they can enlarge their auditorium.

ly who said her 11-year-old son needed the same discipling help that his 14-year-old brother has received. A college-age young lady who was reached seven years ago now wants to reach the high schoolers in her own community as a part-time staff member this fall.

**GREG CROMARTIE, '80**, executive producer of The B & B Media Group, has co-created with Reg Grant, professor of pastoral ministries at Dallas Seminary, and Tina Jacobson, managing partner of B & B, a 26-minute weekly bed-time story radio program for children. The program, *nite Brite*, debuted in the summer of 1997 and airs on 52 outlets, including stations in Central and South Africa and the affiliated stations of Children's Sonshine Network. The program *nite Brite* is aimed for a 4- to 12-year-old audience.



**DEAN, '81**, and **CHERIE, '80, (WATKINS) ROPP** announce the adoption of their son Samuel was finalized in late December 1997. Dean and Cherie went to China in December to pick up

Rebecca, Samuel and William Ropp

Samuel from the orphanage in Xian. Samuel, 5, is deaf but doing well with hearing aids and is able to communicate his needs. He joins his brother William, 11, and sister, Rebekah, 7. The Ropps live in Cumming, Ga.

**BYRON ALEXANDER, '83**, is serving as the associate pastor of Central United Methodist Church in Asheboro, N.C. He is an ordained elder in the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. He and Jana have two children, Cooper and Faith.

**JIM DURGIN, '83**, writes that he has moved from Huntingdon Valley, Pa., where he was assistant pastor of Bethel Chapel for more than six years, to Fellowship Bible Church in Burlington, Mass., where he is senior pastor. He and his wife, JoAnn, celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary in September, 1997. They have three children, Sarah Michele, 8; Chelsea Elisabeth, 5 1/2; and Matthew James, 2.

**STEPHEN, '83**, and Bethany **SHIELDS** announce the birth of Skye Teresa on May 1. She joins sister Michaela Siobhan, 2.

**ALEC, '83**, and **TAMMY (GRAHAM), '84X, HARRISON** recently spent several weeks living in a Xavante tribal village, where they have lived before, in Cuiaba, Brazil, working on Bible translation. They were accompanied by their two younger children, Andrew and Jessica. The two older daughters, Yvonne, who had suffered a severe leg injury, and Natasha, stayed with relatives at the Wycliffe base. Alec revised Romans for the second time, while Tammy made a survey of illiteracy among the Xavante women. She learned that only six out of about 40 women could read — a challenge for their further ministry.

Nick and **LORI (TREBING), '84, SENOFISKY** are serving with East-West Ministries with home base in Houston, Texas. Nick was deported out of Almaty, Kazakhstan, because the authorities did not accept his

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as planned, but Keith will go alone for a six-week stay June 20-Aug. 2. He will help lead a translation workshop with teams from several different languages to attempt to complete first drafts of Titus and Philemon. Frankie anticipated completing her master's thesis in linguistic studies to receive her degree in May from Georgetown University.

**KEN, '76**, and Gwen **BAKER** plan to return to Niger in August, focusing on six months in Hausa language study. They will live in the bush town of Zinder in a region where SIM has had no missionaries for more than seven years. This will be their fifth term in a fifth different location. Ken will be part-time deputy area director, serving SIM's church planting teams in Eastern Niger (an area over 400 miles long). They are rejoicing that prayers for a homeschooling helper for their three children and for a heavy-duty four-wheel double-cab truck for their desert/bush region have been answered!

**LUCY LIEB, '76**, came for home assignment last August to share with her parents in the celebration of their 50 years with Brazil Gospel Fellowship Mission. Lucy and Nancy had purchased an apartment in

**HAROLD, '80**, and Shawne **EBERSOLE** are impressed by the new things that God is doing in Bangladesh. New missionaries are coming, new church planting outreaches are being launched, a new *Jesus* film has been taped in the Chittagonian dialect of Bengali, and the Pentateuch and Psalms have been printed in Muslim Bengali. At the Memorial Christian Hospital the team has launched a renewal project for the hospital personnel and ministries. Ten village schools have been started this year with schools now in 18 villages. They request prayer for safe travel with tribal evangelists to more villages to share the Gospel. Violence does continue and the economic situation is deteriorating, but they see that God is bringing new life in the hills and throughout Bangladesh.

Nathan and **ANITA (JAGGERS), '80, STRAND** share the mission statement of Inner City Impact in Chicago: To present the living Christ, primarily to unchurched inner city children and youth, discipling and integrating them into a local church." As they concentrate on two Chicago neighborhoods, they find a challenge with over 16,500 youth. One 4th-6th grade boys' coordinator visits a local public elementary school twice a week. Nathan spoke with a mom recent-

## 80's

### Reunions

*Class of '83*  
Oct. '98 (15 years)

*Class of '88*  
July '98 (10 years)



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papers to obtain a visa, so he returned to Amsterdam where the Lord directed him in ministry. He then traveled to Kursk, Russia, for an exciting week of ministry. Lori joined a team for an evangelistic campaign in Almaty from May 7 to 18. The team hoped to strengthen the church the Senofskys helped to start and also to renew fellowship with the believers they had the privilege of leading to Christ two years ago.

**JONATHAN "JED," '84**, and Deborah **LINEBAUGH** with their three teenage children—Gretchen, Titus and Meagan—maintain a busy schedule in Glenallen, Alaska. Jed is pastor of the Glenallen Chapel, whose members honored Jed and Deb with a two-week trip to Israel last December. Gretchen and

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Titus had a high school band trip to Florida with a day in the Bahamas. Meagan's traveling was on a field trip with her seventh grade class when her Mom drove the bus and was a chaperon.

**JOY, '84X, ZADOORIAN**, graduated May 21, from Douglass College, Rutgers University with a degree in sociology and with a certificate in criminology.

**TIM, '84**, and **ANITA JOY (TUCKER), '91, HOSTETLER** announce the birth of their second son, Jon Carl, on May 18. Jon weighed in at 8 lbs, and was 20 1/2 inches long. He is welcomed by his big brother, Timothy, 2.

Dennis and **SARA, '85, (BENEDICT) STUART** have relocated to Kansas City, Mo., where Dennis is working as director of credit and cash management for DeBruce Grain, Inc. Sara is working part-time at Holy Cross Lutheran School where their daughter, Kathleen, attends and also is working part-time at Professional Resources, Inc., as a therapist. Sara is grateful to report that she has remained in remission of Hodgkins Disease for two years.

**DARRELL COSDEN, '85**, has completed work on his Ph.D. at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland and successfully defended his thesis on May 27. Graduation was scheduled for June 26.



Julie (Lilley) and Joel James Shepard

and were able to meet and talk with Miss Grant, whom they found to be very friendly.

**MIKE, '86** and **CLAUDIA (CICILIANI), '90X, GOAD** announce the birth of their daughter, Giselle Christine, on Feb. 6.



Mary Dilworth, Amy Grant and Millie Welch

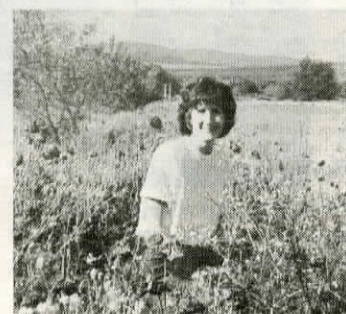


Pamela and Danny Mason

of Potomac College, a small college focusing on adults completing their bachelor's degree, located in Washington, D.C. Denise is thrilled to be at home with their two children.

**CHANTEL MESSER, '87**, began a new position in January, as director of children's ministries at Broadmoor Baptist Church in Memphis. Children's ministries serves ages birth through sixth grade.

Tim and **BETH (BRANSON), '87, WOOD** have shared the concern for a cholera epidemic that has taken the lives of more than 200 people and more than 500 who were hospitalized in their city of Beira, Mozambique. In January, the Wood family, including young Jonathan, took a much-needed rest in the hills to enjoy cooler weather. Their new school year started with 16 first-year students at the International Bible School with Tim teaching Old Testament and I Corinthians to the fourth year students. The Woods plan for home assignment in June.



Bonnie Wagler

Jeff and **JULIE (LILLY), '85 SHEPARD** announce the birth of their son, Joel, on March 26. Joel joins his brothers and sisters: Chelsie, 6; Andrew, 5; Kaylee, 4; and Holly, 2.

**MARY (GUM), '85, DILLWORTH** helped **MILLIE WELSH, '87**, celebrate her birthday by taking her to an Amy Grant concert in Knoxville in April. When they got to the arena, they managed to secure two backstage passes

**PAMELA (HOWELL), '86**, and Danny **MASON** were married on Sept. 27, 1997. They live in Newnan, Ga.

**D. SHAWN, '86**, and **DENISE (GEARHART), '86, WOLF** are living in Derwood, Md. Shawn recently took the position of president

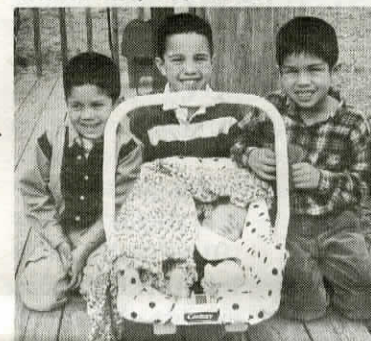
**AMY (KEELER), '87X**, and Roy **MILLER**, along with Joel, 3, welcomed Hannah Rebekah on March 4, to their home in Texas.

**BONNIE WAGLER, '88**, has been teaching for a year and a half at a school in Budapest,

Hungary, where last fall they initiated a drama, art and more extensive music program. They also began a program for students with learning disabilities. Bonnie has rejoiced in what God has accomplished this past year, but now she is planning to return to the States this summer. The 24 members of the Wagler family have scheduled a reunion in August at the home of parents, **ROBERT, '51X**, and Ida **WAGLER**, in Tifton, Ga.

**JONATHAN, '89** and Ernestine **HOFFER** write from snowy Michigan, where Jonathan is working in a machine shop. He writes that he enjoys his work with computers and the computer-driven mill and lathe. He is learning the trade in hopes of someday running the office. Ernestine is working at an insurance company in Howell. They attend Faith Bible Church in Livonia, Mich., where they are involved as team Sunday school teachers for first- through third-graders.

**JEFF, '89**, and **DONNA (McDonald) '92 BAUMAN** write from their new home in Gainesville, Ga., where Jeff is working with Labeltec Systems. Donna is a full-time mom of their identical twin boys born May 6, 1997. Their address is: 8435 Emerald Point Lane, Gainesville, GA 30506.



Timothy, Caleb, Josiah and Samuel Bell

announce the birth of Timothy Christian on Feb. 8. He joins his brothers Caleb, 8; Josiah, 6; and Samuel, 4.

**KENNETH, '89**, and **AMY (EZELL) '90, CLEAVER**, announce the arrival of Gabrielle Elizabeth on April 24. She joins big sister Sarah, 3.

Steve and **DAWN (STACY), '89, HONECKER** were encouraged by the help of Steve's parents, Walter and Rose Honecker, who came to their Wycliffe Quest site in Idyllwild, Calif., to help move the "avalanche" of cargo that confronted them last summer. Two ocean containers of missionaries' belongings were arriving at the same time—a 40-foot container from the Philippines and a 20-foot container from Papua New Guinea. Also, domestic cargo was increasing and exports were greater. Three semi-trucks and drivers converged on the warehouse to handle the cargo. Just before returning to Canada, Steve's parents helped Dawn's parents, Chuck and June Stacy, move next door to Steve and Dawn. Chuck is responsible for the 18-wheeler assigned to the Idyllwild complex. Steve and Dawn moved last February to a larger home at their center to better accommodate their family including Stacie and Heather, and also have guest space.

Andrew and **ELLEN (CHADWICK), '89 FISCHER** announce the birth of their second daughter, Carter Shea, on Sept. 17, 1997. Andy is working as the project estimator for W. Sumter Cox Painting Contractors, Inc. Ellen works part-time as office manager for W. Sumter Cox Painting Contractors, Inc., and caring for 3-year-old Madison and Carter.



Madison and Carter Fischer



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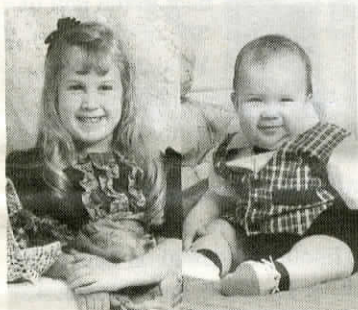
**BEN COWLES, '89X**, writes that the New Life Ranch in Colcord, Okla., where he is director of facilities, was hit by a tornado on March 31. There was extensive damage to homes and facilities. No one was injured, but two horses suffered leg injuries.

**JOHN BOGGS, '89**, writes from England where he serves with Missionary Athletes International with Ambassadors in Sports. This summer he plans to travel to France to lead a team of soccer players from around the world with a goal to share their faith in as many ways as possible. They also will be conducting coaching clinics and giving their testimonies.

## 90's

### Reunions

*Class of '93*  
Oct. '98 (5 years)



Bethany and Nate Randall

Tim and **MICHELE (HUFFORD), '90, RANDALL** announce the birth of their son, Nathaniel, on Oct. 9, 1997, in Bethlehem, Pa. Nathaniel was born with a complex gastrointestinal tract problem and excess brain tissue. He

underwent surgery in May, 1998, to remove the excess brain tissue. The surgery went well and the family wishes to express their deep appreciation for those who have prayed for Nathaniel and the family. Nathaniel joins his sister, Bethany, 5.

**CRISTA CORNELIUS, '90**, has returned to her teaching post in Changchun, China. She is teaching two classes, studying three days a week with a tutor and getting job training about running a language program when she takes over as director. Her return included several problems, mainly the loss of her most important piece of baggage between Bangkok, Thailand, and Hong Kong. Then some weeks later, she was excited to find the postman had delivered a number of boxes for her including the box, with everything intact. What rejoicing and encouragement to face whatever may

occur in the future. Crista now has E-mail and will be glad to share her address with any who will follow the guidelines for sending mail to China.



Elisabeth Eliot Gren, Anna Elisabeth Urban and Anita Urban

**ANITA (REUTER) URBAN, '90**, was introduced to the writings of Elisabeth Elliot by **AVONDA (YEA-GER) JOHNSTON, '89**, and began reading her books

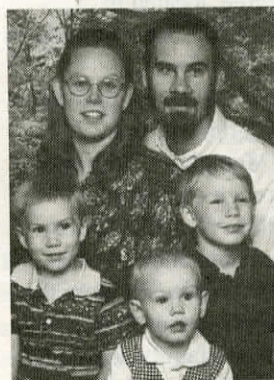
while at Bryan. Over the years Elisabeth Elliot has made the biggest impact of anyone on Anita's life and she named her daughter, Anna Elisabeth, after her. Avonda introduced Anita to Elisabeth Elliot at a missionary conference in Murfreesboro, Tenn., and had a picture taken with her.

**BYRON TALBOT, '90**, who lives in Fort Worth, Texas, is working at the Cornerstone Community Center and started classes again at the Southwestern Baptist Seminary in January with a goal to graduate in December 1999. He is attending the Iglesia Bautista Bethel congregation that meets at the Center and leading a discipleship class for teens on Sunday. A good number of children and teens have trusted Christ as Savior in the last six months, an indication of the opportunity and challenge in the Rock Island neighborhood where the center is located.

**JIMMY, '90, and CHRISTINE (MASSEY), '91, DAVIS** write from Pensacola, Fla., where Jimmy was ordained and installed by the Gulf Coast Presbytery on March 15, 1998 as assistant pastor of student ministries at McIlwain Memorial Presbyterian Church (PCA). Jimmy graduated from Dallas Theological Seminary in May, 1997, with Master of Biblical Studies and a Master of Christian Education degrees. Christine is a homemaker and is still recovering from a grease fire in June '97 which burned 38 percent of her body. She is very involved in Jimmy's ministry and other ministries in the church.

**Dr. DAVID, '90, and SYLVIA (SUGANANDAM), '89, BANKS** recently participated in a Marriage Savers Reunion. David served as the group leader and graduates of Marriage 101 met for a reunion picnic at Camp Jordan in East Ridge, Tenn.

**ROBERT, '91, and KARIS (WHITE), '90, KOEHN** left their home in El Reno, Okla., to go to Brazil in April with their son, Daniel. They are affiliated with the Africa Inland Mission at Belem, Brazil. During their residence in Oklahoma, Robert was a dental lab technician affiliated with Ceramic Arts by Vanderpool in Muskogee, Okla., and Dr. Karis was a dentist with the U.S. Public Health Service.



Dan and Cindy Bryant; Chafin, Josiah and Trace

Albermarle County Police Department and Cindy is a full-time mom.

**CHRISTINE (BARNSHAW), '93, and Chip Salter** were married on June 7, 1997, in Charlotte, N.C. Chris is a middle school math teacher at Covenant Day School in Matthews, N.C., and the regional director of "Pretty As A Picture," a national etiquette consulting firm. Chip is a CPA working in the capital markets division of First Union. Both are active in Prison Ministry, leading Bible studies at the Mecklenburg County Jail. Their address is 10022

**DAVID, '91, and Robin BOLIN**, have a son, Maximilian Montgomery, born Oct. 2, 1997.

**JILL NICELY, '92**, recently moved from Nashville, Tenn., to Kansas City, Kan.

**DANIEL, '92, and CINDY (NICHOLS), '94X, BRYANT** live in Free Union, Va., with their sons Chafin, 4; Josiah, 2 1/2; and Trace, 1. Daniel is working as a detective for the



Chip and Chris Salter

Patrick Springs Ct., Matthews, NC 28105

**MARK, '93, and Lindsey SMITH**, announce the birth of their daughter, Madeleine Kennedy, on March 9. They make their home in Lima, Ohio.

**MATTHEW, '93, and KATHERINE (PAYNE), '92, WARREN** announce the birth of their son, Matthew Christian, on April 1. He was 8 lbs. 6 oz and 21 inches long. The family moved to Gray, Tenn., before Christmas 1997.



Katie, Matthew and Matthew Christian Warren

**SEAN, '93X, and LOIS (HENRY), '92, BLOCKLEY** announce the birth of their daughter, Annesse Noel, on Dec. 20, 1997. Sean, Lois and Annesse live in Calhoun, Ga., where Sean works at a Nike Factory Outlet.

**DENNIS, '94, and JULIE (BENGTSON), '93, RUNNER** have moved to Charlotte, N.C., where Dennis is assistant director of audio and video at Hickory Grove Baptist. Julie is staying at home with Rebekah.

**JASON, '95, and Adriana MARTINEZ**, announce the birth of Victoria Ann on March 14. They live in Beaufort, S.C., where Jason serves with the U.S. Marine Corps.



Kristie (Porter) Brock, Sara Cunningham, Noel (Christy) McFarlin, Cheryl (Warfel) Boyer and Ruth (Patton) Goldman

**NOEL (CHRISTY), '95, and Chad McFARLIN**, were married on Feb. 28. Chad is a computer software support technician. Bryan alumnae at the wedding were **KRISTIE (PORTER) BROCK, '94; SARA CUNNINGHAM, '95; CHERYL (WARFEL) BOYER, '95; and RUTH (PATTON) GOLDMAN, '94.**

**CLAY, '95, and PORTIA (STONE), '93, CAUSEY** announce the birth of their second child, Peter Cade, on Jan. 30. He joins sister Caly Grace, 2 1/2. They live in Dallas, Texas, where Clay is attending seminary and serving part-time as a youth pastor. Portia is a full-time mom.



Caly and Cade Causey and live in Bass Harbor, Maine.

Shane and **TRENENA, (SPICER), '95, WILCHER** announce the birth of their first daughter, Annie Michal Wilcher, on Feb. 2. The Wilchers live in McMinnville, Tenn.

**TINA, '95X, LEAP**, has been accepted into a competi-



Annie Michal Wilcher



# Mrs. Rudd Celebrates 97th Birthday

by Mary Frances Carlson

Mother was the daughter of a Baptist minister and spent her early years in several different towns in Kansas. She graduated from high school while her father had a pastorate at Olathe, Kan., near Kansas City. She majored in Spanish and graduated from Ottawa University where she met my father, who also graduated from O.U. She taught Spanish in high school for three years before marrying my father.

The first three years of their married life were spent at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, where Daddy taught in the College of Business. Then his father told him if they would return to their ranch in Colorado and help him for a year, he would help Daddy get his doctorate. During that year, times were tough on the ranch, and at the end of one year Daddy was encouraged to return to his college teaching. Grandpa Rudd could not provide the financial assistance he had indicated he would give.

Daddy contacted the University of Alabama, but it was too late. Their staff were all in place for the new school year, but they knew that Bryan University needed a math teacher. So as the school year was ready to begin, Mother and Daddy set out in their car for Tennessee.

The trip was very long and difficult. When they finally got to Chattanooga, Mother recalls that they stopped to clean up before arriving in Dayton. But the roads were so bad between Chattanooga and Dayton that they were more dirty after getting to Dayton than during any part of the previous trip. I've heard Mother say many times that this night was the "bluest night of my life."

They had been at the University of Alabama which was considered one of the premier universities in the South, and she had enjoyed her church friends and university friends while there. Six weeks after their arrival at Bryan, the first president died unexpectedly; everyone who was a part of this "baby" school felt much uncertainty for the times ahead. In addition, everyone was trying to survive the Great Depression of the 1930s.

Mother's life as the daughter of a Baptist minister had been very structured. For most of the time there had been no car; they had lived in town near their churches. Mother's father was always home at an early hour for dinner each evening. In contrast, Daddy had grown up on

a farm where they worked as long as needed; dinner was always waiting whenever they finally got their work done.

Mother spent many of her evenings preparing dinner for my father and heating it up over and over as his "minutes" turned into "hours" before he finally arrived home. In all of those years, I never heard an unkind word expressed toward my father for his unpredictable schedule. However, Mother did worry about his long hours



Among those visiting with Mrs. Judson Rudd, widow of Bryan's third president, on her 97th birthday in April were, from left, Karin Traylor, '64; Bryan's sixth president, Dr. William E. Brown; Rachel Morgan, '85H; Bryan's First Lady Lynne Brown; and Simon Sakatos, '98.

with little time for relaxation.

As a young wife, Mother became involved with various college activities. She served as a counselor for students, a secretary, and on at least one occasion took over the kitchen responsibilities when the dietitian left. She enjoyed students and faculty and staff, and many of these people have remained friends throughout all of these years. Mother was involved in some entertaining, but not on a grand scale like in more recent years. One of the early students, Juanita Pendergrass, used to recall that when Mother called for her, she knew it was time to go out into the community and beg for flowers for the reception for the seniors or for some other special occasion.

When Mother and Daddy finally received the news that they would be parents after 16 years of marriage, this was an especially joyful time because doctors had told Mother that she could not have children. They felt that this was truly a miracle. The doctors expressed fear for Mother's life, but she was never sick until the final day.

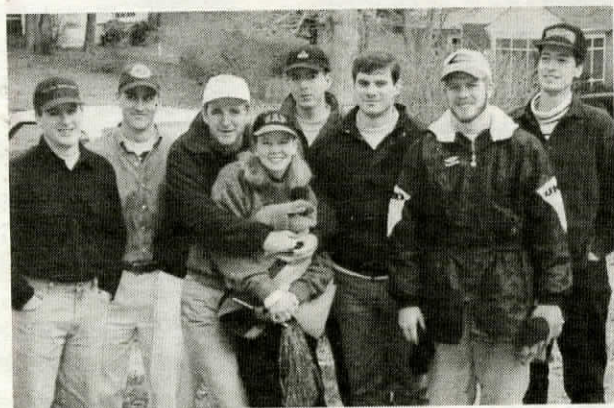
In 1949, Mother's aging parents came to live with us. For the next 10 to 15 years, Mother spent a great deal of time caring for her parents. She was not able to participate as actively in college life during that time. Mother was completely dedicated to their care. It was unusual for her to accompany us on family vacations or to be with my father on business trips because her parents demanded most of her time.

Once her parents were gone, she returned to the college campus as a part-time secretary helping my father with his work. She also began traveling with Daddy again, and many of their trips were planned so that they could visit as many former students as possible along the way. On several of these trips plans were also made for alumni reunions so they could see even more former students.

In the years after Daddy's homegoing, Mother continued to visit the college campus almost daily and enjoyed the numerous college activities. Since she resides in the same home, which is near the campus, she has looked forward to visits from the early students and former teachers and staff.

In more recent years she has received care in her home provided by several ladies. Anyone who visits her continues to see the same smile on her face that she has always managed to display, even though in early years times were not always the best. Also, she still maintains a sense of humor which, as I recall, is what attracted her to my father in the first place.

They were riding on the same train during their college days when Daddy observed Mother and a friend of hers shooting paper wads at the big nose of another student who was sleeping in his seat. As Daddy used to recall, if Mother was funny enough to occupy her time with activities such as that, she should be an interesting person to be around on a more permanent basis. Their courtship began, as did a life of many cherished memories.



Mike Gilman, Dan Johnson, Tim Fary, Sarah Fary, Marc Neddo, Chris Gilman, Matt Gilman and Erik Edwards.

tive occupational therapy program at Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio, beginning in the fall semester of 1998. Tina wishes to thank the faculty and students who prayed for her and she asks for your continual prayers as she begins this new journey of her life.

MIKE GILMAN, '96; DAN JOHNSON, '96; TIM FARY, '95; SARAH (KINEY) FARY, '93; MARC NEDDO, '92; CHRIS GILMAN, '94, Matt Gilman, and ERIK EDWARDS, '92, met in Richmond, Va., to

watch the NCAA final four soccer tournament in December. They would like to extend an invitation to other 90's graduates to join them for this annual event which is held the second weekend in December.

J. TYLER, '96, and KRISTY (GEORGE), '94, FORD were married on May 9, in Morrow, Ga. They live in Winder, Ga.

GEORGE RAEV, '96, completed work on his master's degree in education with a specialization in physical education at the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas, in April. While in graduate school, George played professional soccer and has signed with a Christian professional team in Shreveport, La., to play and coach. He also is considering pursuing a Ph.D. degree.

BEKHY (BATCHELDER), '97, and Josh SIMS were married Aug. 1, 1997, in Alburg Springs, Vermont. After living there for seven months, they moved back to Texas, Josh's home state, in April. Bekhy will be looking for a teaching position while Josh finishes his aviation training.

JODY WATTS, '98, and Phillip Buttram were married in Dayton, Tenn., on April 25.

BRAD, '98, and BARBARA, '98, WING have moved to Indian Trail, N.C., where Brad has accepted

a chaplaincy position at Metrolina Christian Academy. He will teach Bible, coordinate chapel and possibly coach. Barbara will seek employment after they are settled.

## WITH THE LORD

Helen Elizabeth Maxey, wife of TIBBS MAXEY, '34X, died in Joplin, Mo., on Jan. 11.

DR. WILLIAM BRECKBILL JR., '49, died May 2, at his residence in Latrobe, Pa.

CAMELOU (HALLAM) MORGAN, '50X, died on Jan. 7, 1998 in Dayton, Tenn.

Former Senator JENNINGS RANDOPH, '87H, died at age 96 in Charleston, W. Va. Randolph's crowning achievement was passage of the 26th Amendment in 1971, that lowered the voting age across the United States to 18. It had been 21 in most states at that time.



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